TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 899 - HB 1017

March 13, 2017

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Increases, from 30 to 35 days, the period of time within which an administrative judge is required to convene parties for a scheduling conference for a violation hearing concerning the Water Quality Control Act of 1977.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004469): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Redefines "concentrated animal feeding operation" to have the same meaning as it is defined by the Environmental Protection Agency and prohibits the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) from adopting a more stringent definition of such operation. Prohibits any person from discharging a pollutant from a concentrated animal feeding operation without a valid permit, rather than prohibiting such person from construction, installation or operation of a concentrated animal feeding operation without a valid permit.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption for the bill as amended:

• TDEC does not charge permit fees for regulatory activities associated with concentrated animal feeding operations; therefore, any fiscal impact as a result of the proposed bill is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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